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Echoing my volcemail to you:

You should be seeing some "White Paper" talking points from us this afternoon for coordination. They are for Congressional use, per their request, re Benghazi issues.

Thanks, '

Chief, Media Relations

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HPSCI has requested talking points from the DCIA for use with the media.

Please review the below and respond with your comments ASAR.

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To: Subject: Nuland, Victoria J; Sullivan, Jacob J; Rhodes, Benjamin J.; STATE PA

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Here's a draft note to the DIRECTOR .

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Additionally, Eric Schmitt of the NYT contacted us to let us know that he had spoken with Rep. Ruppersberger, who had given him a readout of your session.

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Date: 09/15/2012.11:09 AM To:: MICHAEJM

From: Matthew G. Olsen Subject: [AIN] FW: Unclassified Talking Points

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Michael -- TPs sent to Ruppersberger from ODNI leg.

----Original Message---From: NCTC/OLA
Sent: Saturday, September 15, 2012 10:51 AM To: Nicholas J Rasmussen; Matthew G. Olsen

cc: NCTC

Subject: Unclassified Talking Points

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John C"

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Chris Inglis

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Subject:

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Cheers, CIAFO

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Subject: [AIN] Re:

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From: MICHARJM

Sent: Saturday, September 15, 2012 12:20 PM

To: Robert Cardillo; Alan R Pino

Subject: Fw:

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To: MICHAEJM, C

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This is to confirm in writing: I just spoke with Alan on the phone. Allen said he concurred with the TPs.

----Original Message----

From: MICHAEJM

Sent: Saturday, September 15, 2012 12:19 PM

TO: CEAOPA, CFAOCA

CC: CEA FO

Subject: Re:

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CC: LIA FO LIAFO Subject: RE:

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CC: CJA DPA CJA FO CJA FO Subject: Re:
Michael,
Looks like just about everyone has concurred. I am standing by to forward
the latest version to the committees.
V/r OCA
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From: MICHAEJM .
Sent: Saturday, September 15, 2012 11:08 AM
To: Robert Than R Pino; Matthew G. Olsen; 'sullivanj'
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CC: CIAOCA, CIAOPA, CIAFO, CIAFO

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Saturday, September 15, 2012 12:51 PM

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DAVIDHP74

MICHAEJM; CITA FO Hill Talking Points

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Subject:

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From:

USUN

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Saturday, September 15, 2012 2:21 PM

To:

Subject:

USUN Re: SBU/CLOSEHOLD: 0800 SVTS on Movie Protests/Violence

Please do--I have not reached out.

Best, USVN

From: USUN

Sent: Saturday, September 15, 2012 02:15 PM

USUN To:

Subject: Re: SBU/CLOSEHOLD: 0B00 SVTS on Movie Protests/Violence

references below unless either of you are linked in to this effort. Pis let I'm going to email Jake on the libya points me know.

From: USUN

Sent: Saturday, September 15, 2012 01:23 PM

To: Rice, Susan E (USUN); USUN '; DiCarlo, Rosemary A (USUN); USUN

IC: USUN

Subject: SBU/CLOSEHOLD: 0800 SVTS on Movie Protests/Violence

Libya:

HPSCI request: Late this week, CIA Director Petraeus gave the HPSCI a "hots spots" briefing and was asked for unclassified talking points that its members could use about incident in Benghazi. (Apparently NCTC Director Matt Olson received a similar committee from a congressional committee.) The first draft apparently seemed unsuitable (based on conversations on the SVTS and afterwards) because they seemed to encourage the reader to infer incorrectly that the CIA had warned about a specific attack on our embassy. On the SVTS, Morell noted that these points were not good and he had taken a heavy editing hand to them. He noted that he would be happy to work with Jake Sullivan and Rhodes to develop appropriate talking points. McDonough, on Rhodes's behalf, deferred to Sullivan. It was agreed that Jake would work closely with the intelligence community (within a small group) to finalize points on Saturday that could be shared with HPSCI. I spoke to Jake immediately after the SVTS and noted that you were doing the Sunday morning shows and would need to be aware of the final posture that these points took. He committed to ensure that we were updated in advance of the Sunday shows. I specifically mentioned UDUN as the one coordinating your preparations for the shows and also strongly encouraged him to loop in UDDU during the process.

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CEA OCA

From:

DAVIDHP74

Sent:

Saturday, September 15, 2012 2:27 PM CIA OCA

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MICHAEJM; GEA FO

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Subject:

RE: Hill Talking Points

No mention of the cable to Cairo, either? Frankly, I'd just as soon not use this, then... NSS's call, to be sure; however, this is certainly not what Vice Chairman RUppersberger was hoping to get for unclas use. Regardless, thx for the great work -

DDCIA/EDS

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Re: Libya - Unclass IC pts

Coming your way.

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To: Sullivan, Jacob J

CC: USUN

Subject: Libya – Unclass IC pts

Jake - understand from USUN that you're working a set of unclass IC pts on libya for the Hill. If these are going to be finalized by Sunday am (or COB today), can we get a copy for Susan to ensure we're on the same msg? Happy to have USUN work with whomever on the State team is handling this, unless it's you - in which case happy to get them directly. Whatever is easiest.

Many thx.

USUN

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To: Subject:

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Sent: Saturday, September 15, 2012 11:12 AM

To: michaejm@ ; Robert.Cardillo@

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Sent: .o:

Saturday, September 15, 2012 7:12 PM NSC Deputy Press Secretary

Subject:

Re:

Yup

From: USUN

Sent: Saturday, September 15, 2012 05:59 PM To: Rhodes, Benjamin J.; Vietor, Tommy

Subject: FW:

Is this the final language you want to use on Benghazi? Have short window to get her something on paper soon.

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